



THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



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October 2014

HOA Board Members:

- Larry Clarke - President
(504) 559-5476
- Michael Brazil - Vice President
(985) 653-8895
- Jackie Catalano - Secretary
(985) 652-8197
- Rhonda Johnson - Member at Large
(985) 653-7979
- David Sutton - Member at Large
(985) 652-8166
- Beverly Dorsa - Member at Large
(985) 651-6258
- Michael Walker—Member at Large
(985) 215-0851

Committee Chairpersons:

- Park: Vacant
- Lake: Vacant
- Welcoming::
Beverly Dorsa (985) 651-6258
- Social: Larry Clarke
(504) 559-5476



Happy Halloween

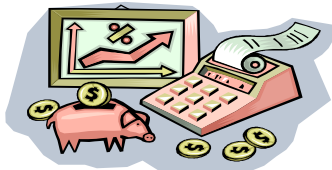


Gumbo Cook-off and Family Fun Day

On October 11th from 12 noon until 5 pm the BTLHOA will host a Family Fun Day with the Gumbo Cook-off contest as the main event. Please call Larry Clarke or Mike Brazil if you would like to enter the gumbo cook-off. There will be prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners. The judging will be done by Cheryl Millet (Council person), Thomas Daley (District Attorney), and Chip Wale (St John the Baptist Sheriff's Office). All contestants will need to set up and be ready to cook at 11am. Cook as little or as much as you like. Chicken and sausage gumbo only. The HOA will provide pastalaya, hot dogs, cake and water for all. There will be a DJ playing all evening , a large air walk for the kids and face painting. Please bring your chairs.

*****Please do not feed the ducks*****

It has been brought to the Board's attention that we have a duck problem at the end of Oakmont. The ducks are tearing up homeowner's lawns and making a mess. We ask that you do not feed the ducks and hopefully with no food source they will move on.



DUES

We ask all to please pay quarterly dues timely. Failure to do so causes increased costs to issue reminders and the Board to spend time that could be spent on more productive issues. Thanks to all who pay dues timely.

Security Cameras

Due to low participation in voting on security cameras this project has been tabled. Ballots that were received were 50% for and 50% against. The Board was unable to obtain lower prices for the materials and installation then what the Board originally quoted.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- Should you have a mosquito problem or want your area sprayed before an outdoor function. Call Mosquito Control - (985) 536-6530
- If you spot an alligator, call 225-206-2060 Wildlife/Fisheries (Mike Defrene)
- For burned out street lights, call Entergy – 800-968-8243

If you have any announcements you would like to include in the newsletter, please contact a Board Member.



**2014 Belle Terre Links Home Owners Association
Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Belle Terre Links Home Owners Association will be held sometime during the 4th quarter. Date and time, still to be determined, will be posted on the front message board. Ballots will be available for all home owners to vote for the 2015 Board of Directors. The new Board of Directors will be identified at this time.

2015 Board of Directors Elections

Nomination forms for nominating homeowners to run for the 2015 Board will be mailed out once the date and time have been determined for the Annual Meeting. You can nominate any homeowner, including yourself (only residents in good standing with homeowner dues are eligible for election). All those nominated will be contacted to determine their interest prior to being placed on the ballot. No more than 1 individual per household may serve on the Board at the same time. Ballots will be available on election day in the park to cast your votes. If you have any questions, please contact a Board member.

Please consider this service to your neighborhood.

Holiday Season

The Board would like to take this opportunity to wish all homeowners a happy and safe holiday season, starting with a Happy Halloween and ending with a fantastic New Year. Speaking of Halloween, the Links is known for plenty of activity with lots of children trick or treating. Please be mindful of this and take care to drive especially careful. Homeowners have been wonderful throughout the years with their offerings of treats for the young ones, and hopefully that generosity will continue. For homeowners who have moved into the Links since last Christmas, there is usually a good number of homeowners who get cheerful and decorate outside their homes and add to the joyous season for all. Let's make this Christmas season one of the brightest and most festive through the decoration of our homes. This would really add to the celebration.

Belle Terre Links HOA Financial Statement ***** 01-01-14 to 09-15-14	
<u>INCOME</u>	
Dues/Late Fees	<u>22,554.02</u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Bank Fees	424.97
Insurance	3,287.55
Licenses & Permits	
Office Supplies	1,054.86
Postage & Delivery	309.03
Prof. Fees (Acct / Legal)	2,615.00
Repairs & Maintenance	7,528.15
Socials	399.92
Taxes	
Utilities	1,842.16
Welcome Com.	13.06
<u>TOTAL EXP</u>	<u>17,474.70</u>

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS

Please submit all plans for new construction or improvements to the Architectural Control Committee in care of:

Mike Brazil
126 Oakmont
LaPlace, La. 70068
(985) 653-8895

For your convenience you can also submit this to any board member and we will see that it gets to Mr. Brazil

Also, please note that you have an obligation to St. John the Baptist Parish to obtain a building permit for any new construction or improvements to your existing property. For more information concerning the parish ordinances you can call (985) 652-9569.

New construction plans should include:

- House elevations showing front, rear & both sides of the structure. The elevations should show exterior wall materials, roof pitch from all angles & slab elevation in relation to street.
- Floor plans with living area & under roof area calculated on plans.
- Site plan showing lot dimensions, location & width of driveways & sidewalks, setback distances from the lot lines for the house, garage, patio, drive, sidewalk & any other ground improvements.
- Name, address, lot number & phone number of homeowner & the builder (if different).
- There is a \$200.00 architectural committee fee for new homes.

Existing homes must submit prior to construction:

- Location of improvements drawn on a site plan showing lot line setbacks.
- Materials to be used.
- Fences - materials, height & type.
- Bulkheads - materials, height & type.
- Additions - plans showing elevations, roof pitch & exterior wall materials.
- Above-Ground Improvements exceeding 3' height - precise dimensions & location on lot.
- Swimming Pools - type of pool & fencing.
- Name, address, lot number & phone number of homeowner.
- Any fee incurred will be passed on to the homeowner.